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The Recovery Month Web Event Season Continues With “Addiction by Prescription”

Premieres Wednesday, March 3, 2004; 3:00 – 4:00 PM, EST

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According to the 2002 *National Survey on Drug Use and Health*, the second most common category of drug use after marijuana is the non-medical use of prescription drugs. In the survey, an estimated 6.2 million people aged 12 or older were current users of prescription drugs taken non-medically. Of these, an estimated 4.4 million used narcotic pain relievers, 1.8 million used anti-anxiety medications, 1.2 million used stimulants, and 0.4 million used sedatives.

Join Host *Ivette Torres*, Associate Director for Consumer Affairs, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and a panel of experts, who will explore strategies to treat dependence and addiction to prescription medications and look at new office-based and pharmacological approaches that expand available treatment options and effectiveness.

Panelists:

- Charles G. Curie, SAMHSA, HHS
- Dr. Nora Volkow, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), National Institutes of Health (NIH), HHS
- Dr. Anthony C. Tommasello, University of Maryland School of Pharmacy, Office of Substance Abuse Studies
- Chris Kelly, DC Chapter of Advocates for Recovery through Medicine (ARM-DC)

Also featuring representatives from:

- The Food and Drug Administration, HHS, Rockville, MD
- Faces and Voices of Recovery, Washington, DC
- The St. Charles Clinic, St. Charles, VA
- Grace Street/Maine Alliance of Addiction and Recovery, Bath, ME

Participate in a “live” online discussion about this topic on Wednesday, March 17, 2004, from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m., EST. Visit <http://www.recoverymonth.gov/2004/multimedia/webchatmenu.aspx> for details.



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